A Godly

a Godly Prayer to be said

tymes, of euery Christen,
both man and woman, with
a prayer vpon the Pater
noster or Paraphrase
vpon the same.

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The prayer

Of our Lorde.

O Lorde God oure father in heaven wee thy myserable chyldren vpon earthe, beseche thee mercifully to loke vppon vs, & lende vs thy grace, that thy name may be sanctyfyed amonge vs and in all the worlde, through the pure preachinge of thy worde and trew knowledge and vnderstanding of the same, and thorowe earnest charitie in our dayelye conuersacion and lyuinge, exclude thou graciously from vs all false doctrine and

euill lyuyng, wherby thy worthy name might be blaspheamed and slaundered. Oh let thy kyngedome come, and be great to all synfull and blinde people, and suche as be holden captiue of the deuell and hys kyngdome, bring thou Lorde vs to trewe repentaunce & to the knowledge of the trewe faythe, in Jesus Christe thy sonne. Strengthen vs Lorde with thy grace, to doo thy wil in all godlye wurkes, and to sufferr thesame in lyfe and in death, in well and in wo, that our wil may be alwayes broken, offered vp and mortified. Geue vs our dayly bread, preserue vs from all couetousnes and immoderate carefulnes of the belly, that of thee we may be assured to haue abundaunce

of all good thinges necessarye
for vs, forgeue vs our trespas-
ses, that we maye haue a glad
and a quiete conscience in thee,
in that we receiue forgiuenes
of oure synnes, as we be wyl-
linge to forgeue all them that
trespalle agaynst vs. And lead
vs not into temptacion. But
strengthen vs Lord with thy
spirite, to subdue the fleshe to
dispise the world with the va-
nities thereof, & to ouercome
the deuel with all his crafty af-
faults, and finally delyuer vs
from all euel, both bodely and
ghostlye. tempozall and
eternall, for thyne is
the kyngdom, the
power and the
glory for
euer.
So be it.

O Almighty and euerliu-
ing God, Father, sone
and holy Ghoste. Thou
that hast made heauen, earth
and all thinges in theym con-
teyned, haue mercy vppon me
poore wretched sinner, dayly
assaulted with all kynde of mi-
serie and wretchednes, I be-
seche thee o Father, for the
loue of thy sone Jesus Christ,
consider my imperfection and
haue mercy vpon me, encrease
thy grace in me, my sauiour,
my redemer, my iustifier, for I
come vnto thee O Lorde, ac-
cordinge vnto thy worde, for
thou hast sayd, come vnto me
all ye that labor, & are ladē & I
will refreshe you, O my moste
mercifull Lord & sauiour, ease
me of my burdē of synne, wher-
fore I haue vnrighteously com-

mitted

mitted in deede, wurde and
thought, and refresh my soule
with thy mercye. O reconcyle
me with Hope and I shalbe
clean, and open my lippes (O
Lorde) that my mouthe maye
shewe thy prayse, consider my
imperfection and haue mercye
uppon me, and helpe it with
thy great mercies, remember
thyne olde wonted mercyes,
faythfull promysses made to
oure forefathers, Abraham,
Isaac and Jacob, and al other
thy sainctes in oure saviour
Jesu Christe, who being com-
passed with infirmities and
weakenes of the flesshe come
vnto thee (O LORDE) the
well of lyfe and euerlastynge
fountayne of their helth and
saluation, and thou mercifully
susteyned them hepest them &

defendest them in all their tem-
ptacions and tribulations, yf
their seete any tyme slipte or
went out of the waye, and com-
mitted synne against thee, yet
thy mercye was alwaye redy,
so that thou by thy holy spirite
haddest procured them agayn
by repentaunce, so that they
turned again vnto the, which
conuersion or turning agayn
thou merryfullye accepteste at
their handes, for because they
were desirous to lyue perfect-
ly in thy sight, thou preser-
uedest theym, so that they be
found faythful before thee. O
Lorde thou arte thesame, and
thy yeares endure for euer. I be-
seech thee O father beat my in
firmities and imperfection, &
helpe it likewise with thy mer
cye, if at any tyme I happen

to

so fall and commytte synne a-
gainst thee, yet as thou saidest
by thyne Apostle Paule, lette
thy grace at all tymes be suffi-
cient for me, so that I may im-
mediatly turne agayne vnto thee,
which conuersiō and turninge
agayn, accepte alwayes at my
hāds for Jesus Christes sake.
So shal I be found perfect be-
fore thee, for although ỹ spirit
be wyllynge, yet is the flesche
vntowarde and weake. There-
fore doo I not lay myne owne
righteousnes before thee, for I
knowe and confesse me, that
is to saye, in my flesche is no-
thing but playn misery, wret-
chednes and synne. Therfore
doo I come vnto thee, & beseche
thee for Christes sake to ex-
tende thy mercyfull hand to-

warde me, do away myne of-
fences, for I knowe (O Lorde)
that all grace and goodnes
commeth of thee, and therfore
arte thou prayfed (O Lorde) &
feared in the congregation a-
mong thy saincts, for thou on-
ly arte he that geueth victory.
O Lorde God of hostes, and
that as thou saydest by thy
Prophete Zacharie, neyther
throughe an hoste of men nor
through strength, but through
thy spyrite. Therfore I beseech
thee geue me not only strēgth
& knowledge of thee, but also
a redy earnest purpose & wyll
to subdue myne affectiōs, and
graunte me grace at all tymes
too lyue as thou in thy holye
worde hast prescribed vnto me
moreouer I beseech thee make
me perfecte in thy sighte, that

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I may rẽdre cõtinuall thankes
by Jesus Chriſte vnto thee, &
where as I haue not hetherto
endeuoured my ſelf, accordyng
to ẏ power whiche thou haſte
gẽt me to lyue after thy wil,
I praye thee of forgeuenes for
Chriſtes ſake thine only ſõne
our Lord, and now I proteſte
before thee through ẏ helpe of
thy holy ſpirite, to order my li-
fe from henceforth accordinge
to thy wurd, and to walk per-
fectly before thee. Neuerthe-
leſſe I beſeech thee for Chriſtes
ſake at all times to bear the im
perfection that any tyme is
founde in me and delyuer me
by thy power and mercye, en-
creace my fayth O my reper
mer, encreace my fayth O my
ſauiour, encreace my fayth O
my iuſtifier, encreace faith bo

pe, Ioue, charitie and all other
vertues consonaunte, & agre-
ble to a godly lyfe, for I come
vnto thee (O Lorde) the Well
and euerlastinge Fountayne
of all helth & saluation. O my
heauenly father, let me and al
other which seek thy wurde to
thentent to forsake sinne & to
amēde their liues, liue in thy
sight, I thanke thee (O Lord)
with all my harte, soule and
mynde, þ it hath pleased ther
of thy great mercye and good-
nes to creat and fourme me of
the molde of the earth, & geue
me members needefull to my
body, and that it hath plea-
thee to preserue al which (thou
hast created in me) sithēs the
tyme of thy creatiō vntil now,
& that it hath pleased thee to
deliuer me frō the hour of tēp-
tacion,

tacion and in my tribulacion, al wel slepig as wakig whē I was forgetful of thee as whē I remembred to cal vpō thee & it hath pleased thee to minister to my necessities, meat, drinke and clothynge and as in ward reioysing, quietnes of mynd, helth of bodie and such lyke, and that it hathe pleased thee to geue me this womā to be my wyfe as a remedie cōsolatie and comforte in al my necessities. Graunt vs grace (O Lorde) truely togethet to honour loue and serue thee, for I know that whatsoeuer I do, either good or euil, it shalbe rewarded of thee. Lighten vs therfore dayly, I beseche thee with thy grace that we maye gouerne our selues, our housholde and chyldrē, which thou

hast

hast geuē vs in the true faith,
feare and knowledge of thee,
so ꝑ it maye bee an acceptable
sacrifice vnto thee, by Jesus
Christe our lord. And seyng it
hath pleased ꝑ O father to ligh
ten ꝑ inward eies of my mynd
with thy grace, & to cal me frō
the great blyndenes of ignor
raunce and synne, wherein al
men are borne, to ꝑ knowledge
of thee, let it now muche more
(as sainct Paule sayth) please
thee to preserue me & all other
whom thou hast called, which
be dayly oppressed by synne, &
desire to turne and come vnto
thee (of what tungt or nacion
whatsoeuer thei be) throughout
the whole worlde, and seing it
hath pleased thee to cal me by
grace to the knowledge of thy
word, & geue me a wil to serue
it to

it to loue & beleue in it, let it be thy will to directe my wayes that I erre not, staye my feete with thy holy hãd, & preserue me with thyne arme, for I am els farre to weak, for without thee I can doo nothing. O let me lyue in thy sight O Lord, and put me not oute from thy presence, but geue me a newe hart and a newe spirite, that I maye alwayes cal vpõ thee in tyme of my trouble, and offer thee an acceptable sacrifyce by Jesus Christe before thee, euen the fruyte of those lyppes, which confesse thy name, geue me grace (O lord) patiently to receyue the Cup of helth & saluatiõ at thy hãd, & call vpon thy name in the tyme of mine aduersitie, O hear my prayer I beseech thee lette my

power

power and pleasure be alway
in the frute of the tree of lyfe,
whiche is in the Paradyse of
God, O accept these volenta-
ry sacrifices at my handes as
the sweet smell of incence, and
let the lifting vp of my hãdes
be an euenig sacrifice, pleasãt
and acceptable vnto thee thor-
rough Jesus Chriſte oure
Lorde, to whome be
euerlasting prayse
honour and glo
rie, now &
euer. Amen.

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